Men are Trees

This is one of the first studies I ever did on “typology” which is a teaching of theological types especially one holding that things in Christian belief are prefigured or symbolized by things in the Old Testament, the study and interpretation of types and symbols, presented in the King James Bible, and it really helped me understand many of the parables, and proverbs, the words of the wise and their dark sayings that are within the pages of the King James Bible. What it was in all reality was God opening up my understanding via the Holy Ghost, and helping me to understand many things he is saying in his Word. I have attempted to do the best I can do in highlighting by making certain words *italicized* and **bold**, certain words that pertain to ***righteousness***, and certain words that pertain to **wickedness**, or **unrighteousness**. It is my hope that God will help you understand as well, though I may not be properly able to convey it due to limitations within text formatting on this platform. Parenthesis with an ***** example (*****) are commentary I have added within the Scripture to help give insight.

Genesis 2:8 And ***the LORD God planted a garden*** eastward ***in Eden***; and there he put ***the man*** whom he had formed. **9** *And* ***out of the ground*** *made* ***the LORD God*** *to grow* ***every tree*** that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; ***the tree of life*** also in the midst of the garden, and **the tree of knowledge of good and evil**.

Genesis 2:15 And ***the LORD God*** *took* ***the man***, and put him into ***the garden of Eden*** to ***dress*** it and to ***keep*** it. **16** And ***the LORD God*** *commanded* ***the man****, saying,* ***Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat***: **17** But of **the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die**.

Genesis 3:1 Now **the serpent** was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And **he** said unto the woman, **Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden**? **2** And ***the woman*** said unto the serpent, ***We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden***: **3** *But* **of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst** *of the garden, God hath said,* ***Ye shall not eat of it****,* neither shall ye touch it, **lest ye die**. **4** And **the serpent** said unto ***the woman***, **Ye shall not surely die**: **5** For ***God*** doth know that **in the day ye eat thereof**, then **your eyes shall be opened**, and **ye shall be as gods**, knowing ***good*** and **evil**. **6** And when ***the woman*** saw that **the tree was good for food**, and that it was **pleasant to the eyes**, and **a tree to be desired to make one wise**, **she took of the fruit** thereof, and **did eat**, and **gave also unto her husband with her**; and **he did eat**. (*****Misery loves company, sinners will entice sinners to sin, also notice that once they made up their minds to eat it, they were no longer *good*, as the *italicizing* is now gone from their referencing.) **7** And **the eyes of them both were opened**, and **they knew that they were naked**; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. (*****Sinners always try to cover it up, sweeping their misdeeds under the rug, lest they be reprobate and declare their sin as Sodom, and hide it not, not having a desire to hide sin indicates a huge problem in ones life.) **8** And **they** heard ***the voice***

of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and **Adam and his wife hid themselves** from ***the presence of the LORD God*** amongst ***the trees of the garden***. **9** And ***the LORD God*** *called* unto **Adam**, *and said unto* **him**, *Where art* **thou**? **10** And **he** said, **I** heard **thy voice in the garden**, and **I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself**. **11** And ***he said***, *Who told* **thee** *that thou wast* **naked**? *Hast* **thou** *eaten of* **the tree***, whereof* ***I*** *commanded* **thee** *that* **thou shouldest not eat**? **12** And **the man** said, **The woman** whom ***thou*** gavest to be with **me**, **she** gave **me** of **the tree**, and ***I did eat***. (*****I *italicized* the man's response saying that he did eat because he told *the truth*.) **13** And ***the LORD God*** said unto the **woman**, *What is this that* **thou** *hast done*? And **the woman** said, **The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat**. **14** And ***the LORD God*** *said* unto **the serpent**, *Because* **thou** *hast done this*, **thou** *art* **cursed** *above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life*: **15** *And I will put* ***enmity*** *between* **thee** *and* **the woman***, and between* **thy seed** *and* ***her seed; it*** *shall bruise thy head, and* **thou** *shalt bruise* ***his*** *heel*. (*****This ***her seed*** reference is a prophecy of ***Jesus***, being of ***the seed*** of **the woman** who came into the world and took the punishment of our sins upon himself.) **16** Unto **the woman *he*** said, *I will greatly multiply thy* **sorrow** *and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee*. **17** And unto **Adam *he*** said, Because **thou** hast hearkened unto the voice of **thy wife***,* and hast eaten of **the tree***,* of which ***I*** *commanded* **thee***, saying, Thou shalt not eat of* **it***:* **cursed is the ground** *for thy sake; in* **sorrow** *shalt* **thou** *eat of* **it** *all the days of thy life*; (*****Notice now **the ground is cursed**, where as before it was ***good***.) **18 Thorns** also and **thistles** shall **it** bring forth to **thee**; and **thou** shalt eat the herb of the field; **19** In the sweat of thy face shalt **thou** eat bread, till **thou** return unto **the ground**; for out of **it** wast **thou** taken: for **dust thou art**, and **unto dust shalt thou return**. **20** And **Adam** called **his wife's name Eve**; because **she** was the mother of all living. **21** Unto **Adam** also and to **his wife** did ***the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them***. (*****This is a picture of ***God*** covering our **transgressions**, our **nakedness** with ***his righteousness***, ***Jesus Christ***, as ***he*** came in skin, a body like ours, what I call the meatsuit we are all trapped in, and took away our sin for us.) **22** And ***the LORD God*** said, Behold**, the man** is become as one of ***us***, to know ***good*** and **evil**: (*****A lot of people ask, "What does "us" mean, well here you go, **1 John 5:7** For there are ***three*** that bear record in heaven, the ***Father***, the ***Word***, and the ***Holy Ghost***: and these three are one. Also to know ***good*** and **evil**, here's that, **Isaiah 45:7** ***I*** form the ***light***, and create **darkness**: ***I*** make ***peace***, and create **evil**: ***I the LORD do all these things***.) and now, lest **he** put forth **his hand**, and take also of ***the tree of life***, and eat, and ***live for ever***: **23** Therefore ***the LORD God*** sent **him** forth from ***the garden of Eden***, to till **the ground** from whence **he** was taken. **24** So ***he*** drove out **the man**; and ***he*** placed at the east of ***the garden of Eden*** Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of ***the tree of life***.

I want to add a little commentary on that last verse where it says lest he put forth his hand and take also of ***the tree of life and live for ever***, ***the tree of life is God's Word***, and ***you can take of it and live for ever***, but not in our **corrupt fallen state**. ***The man*** started out ***good***, but

became **corrupt** after eating the **forbidden fruit**. ***God*** will give you ***a new immortal, incorruptible body*** when this **corrupt one** expires, or deceases. There is also the mention of placing Cherubims to keep the way of ***the tree of life***, Cherubims are angels, some angels are ***good***, and some are **bad**, or **evil** and the **evil ones** will try to keep you from reading, and believing in ***God's Word, the tree of life, the King James Bible***, therefore trying to keep you from ***living for ever in heaven with God***, of which ***the garden of Eden*** is a typology, or picture of. So seeing as how there are **trees**, and some are ***good***, and some are **bad**, ***God*** also uses **trees** to describe **men**, **rulers**, and or **kings**, **people** in a general sense, ***God himself***, ***Jesus Christ*** the ***Word of God***, and also **devils** in ***the King James Bible***.

Judges 9:8 The trees went forth on a time to anoint **a king** over **them**; and they said unto ***the olive tree***, Reign ***thou*** over **us**. **9** But ***the olive tree*** said unto **them**, Should ***I*** leave ***my fatness***, ***wherewith by me they honour God*** and **man**, and go to be promoted over **the trees**? **10** And **the trees** said to ***the fig tree***, Come ***thou***, and reign over **us**. **11** But ***the fig tree*** said unto **them**, Should ***I forsake my sweetness, and my good fruit***, and go to be promoted over **the trees**? **12** Then said **the trees** unto ***the vine***, Come ***thou***, and reign over **us**. **13** And ***the vine*** said unto **them**, Should ***I leave my wine, which cheereth God*** and **man**, and go to be promoted over **the trees**? **14** Then said **all the trees** unto **the bramble**, Come **thou**, and reign over **us**. **15** And **the bramble** said unto **the trees**, If in truth **ye** anoint **me king** over **you**, then come and put your trust in my shadow: and if not, let fire come out of **the bramble**, and devour **the cedars of Lebanon**.

A bramble is full of thorns, you don't want that king reigning over you, think sin, and Satan.

Psalms 1:1 Blessed *is* ***the man*** that walketh not in the counsel of **the ungodly**, nor standeth in the way of **sinners**, nor sitteth in the seat of **the scornful**. **2** But ***his*** delight ***is in the law of the LORD***; and ***in his law*** doth **he** meditate day and night. **3** And ***he shall be like a tree planted*** by ***the rivers of water***, that bringeth forth ***his fruit in his season***; ***his leaf*** also shall not wither; and ***whatsoever he doeth shall prosper***. **4 The ungodly** are not so: but **are like the chaff** which the wind driveth away. **5** Therefore **the ungodly** shall not stand in the judgment, nor **sinners** in ***the congregation of the righteous***. **6** For ***the LORD*** knoweth the way of ***the righteous***: but the way of **the ungodly** shall perish.

Jeremiah 17:7 ***Blessed is the man*** that trusteth in ***the LORD***, and ***whose hope the LORD*** is. **8** For ***he shall be as a tree planted*** by ***the waters***, and that spreadeth out ***her roots*** by ***the river***, and shall not see when heat cometh, but ***her leaf shall be green***; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, ***neither shall cease from yielding fruit***.

Psalms 37:35 ***I*** have seen **the wicked** in great power, and **spreading himself like a green bay tree**. **36** Yet **he passed away**, and, lo, **he was not**: yea, ***I*** sought **him**, but **he could not be found**.

Psalms 52:8 But ***I am like a green olive tree*** in ***the house of God***: ***I trust in the mercy of God*** for ever and ever.

Psalms 92: 9 For, lo, **thine enemies**, *O* ***LORD***, for, lo, **thine enemies** shall **perish**; all the **workers of iniquity** shall be **scattered**. **10** But ***my horn shalt thou exalt like the horn of an unicorn***: ***I shall be anointed with fresh oil***. **11** ***Mine eye*** *also shall* ***see*** *my desire* on **mine enemies**, *and* ***mine ears*** *shall* ***hear*** *my desire* of **the wicked** that rise up against ***me***. **12** *The* ***righteous shall flourish like the palm tree***: ***he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon***. **13** ***Those*** *that be* ***planted*** *in* ***the house of the LORD*** *shall* ***flourish*** *in* ***the courts of our God***. **14** ***They*** *shall still bring forth* ***fruit*** *in old age*; ***they*** *shall be* ***fat*** *and* ***flourishing***; **15** *To shew that t****he LORD is upright***: *he is* ***my rock***, and *there is* no **unrighteousness** *in* ***him***.

2 Samuel 22:2 And ***he*** said, ***The LORD is my rock***, and ***my fortress***, and ***my deliverer***;

Jeremiah 18:13 Therefore thus saith ***the LORD***; Ask ye now among the **heathen**, ***who*** hath ***heard*** such things: **the virgin of Israel hath done a very horrible thing**. **14** Will ***a man*** leave ***the snow of Lebanon*** *which cometh* from ***the rock*** of the field? *or* shall ***the cold flowing waters that come from another place*** be forsaken? **15** Because **my people** hath **forgotten *me***, they have **burned incense** to **vanity**, and **they** have caused **them** to **stumble in their ways** *from* ***the ancient paths***, to **walk in paths**, in ***a way not cast up***; **16** To make their land **desolate**, *and* a perpetual **hissing**; every ***one*** that passeth thereby shall be astonished, and wag his head. **17** ***I*** will scatter **them** as with an east wind before the **enemy**; ***I*** will shew them the **back**, and not the ***face***, in the day of **their calamity**.

God's Word is the snow of Lebanon, the ***cold flowing waters*** that come from ***another place, Heaven***.

Matthew 10:42 And whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones ***a cup of cold water*** only in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward.

Note: ***Wisdom is a tree***, it comes from ***the tree of life***, ***God's Word***, *the* ***King James Bible***.

Proverbs 3:13 *Happy is* ***the man*** *that findeth* ***wisdom***, *and* ***the man*** *that getteth* ***understanding***. **14** *For the* ***merchandise of it*** *is better than the* merchandise of silver*, and the* ***gain thereof*** than fine gold. **15** ***She is more precious*** than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto ***her***. **16** ***Length of days is in her right hand***; *and* ***in her left hand riches and honour***. **17** ***Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace***.**18** *She is* ***a tree of life*** *to* ***them*** *that lay hold upon* ***her***: *and* ***happy*** *is* ***every one*** *that* ***retaineth her***.

Song Of Solomon 2:3 *As* ***the apple tree*** *among* ***the trees of the wood***, *so is* ***my beloved among the sons***. *I sat down under* ***his shadow*** *with great delight, and* ***his fruit was sweet*** *to my taste*.

Psalms 91:1 ***He*** *that dwelleth in* ***the secret place of the most High*** *shall abide under* ***the shadow of the Almighty***.

Isaiah 56:1 Thus saith ***the LORD***, ***Keep ye judgment***, *and* ***do justice***: *for my* ***salvation*** *is near to come*, *and my* ***righteousness*** *to be revealed*. **2** ***Blessed is the man*** *that doeth this, and* ***the son of man*** *that* ***layeth hold on it****; that keepeth the* ***sabbath*** *from* **polluting** *it, and keepeth his hand from doing any* **evil**. **3** Neither let ***the son of the stranger***, *that hath joined himself to* ***the LORD***, speak, saying, ***The LORD*** hath utterly separated ***me*** from ***his people***: neither let ***the eunuch*** say, Behold, ***I*** am **a dry tree**. **4** *For thus saith* ***the LORD*** *unto the* ***eunuchs*** *that keep my* ***sabbaths****, and* ***choose the things that please me****, and* ***take hold*** *of* ***my covenant***; **5** *Even unto* ***them*** *will* ***I*** *give in* ***mine house and within my walls*** *a* ***place*** *and* ***a name better than of sons and of daughters****:* ***I will give them an everlasting name****, that shall not be* **cut off**. **6** *Also* ***the sons of the stranger, that join themselves to the LORD****, to* ***serve him****, and* ***to love the name of the LORD****, to be* ***his servants****,* ***every one*** *that keepeth the* ***sabbath*** *from* **polluting** *it, and* ***taketh hold of my covenant***; **7** *Even* ***them*** *will* ***I bring to my holy mountain****, and make them* ***joyful*** *in* ***my house of prayer****: their* ***burnt offerings*** *and their* ***sacrifices*** *shall be accepted upon* ***mine altar****; for* ***mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people***. **8** ***The Lord GOD*** *which gathereth* ***the outcasts of Israel*** *saith, Yet will* ***I*** *gather* ***others*** *to* ***him****, beside* ***those*** *that are* ***gathered unto him***.

The ***sabbath*** is a picture of the ***rest*** we will get in ***heaven***, with our ***new bodies***, and a ***new everlasting name***. The ***covenant of the Lord*** is his ***Word***, the ***King James Bible***, all you have to do is ***keep*** it, do not **reject** it, just ***hold on to it***. We are no longer under the **old covenant**, we have already proven we cannot keep **the law**, and ***God*** made **the law** to where it would become **exceeding sinful** that he might show forth ***the riches of his mercy*** to them that believe, so we're under a ***new covenant***, ***God*** did away with **the old covenant**, we're only required to *believe in* ***Jesus Christ***, and ***love God***, and ***one another***. ***God*** speaks of this ***new covenant*** in a couple of places in the Old Testament, Jeremiah 31 and Ezekiel 36, you can get a King James Bible and go read it! I'm trying to stay focused on **trees**, and what is associated with them, while highlighting ***good*** and **evil**, to help give and understanding, I will try to explain things as I go along as best I can.

Isaiah 61:3 To appoint unto ***them that mourn in Zion***, to give unto ***them beauty*** for **ashes**, the ***oil of joy*** for **mourning**, ***the garment of praise*** for **the spirit of heaviness**; that ***they*** might be called ***trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD***, that ***he*** might be glorified.

Isaiah 65:22 ***They*** shall not build, and **another** inhabit; ***they*** shall not plant, and **another** eat: for ***as the days of a tree are the days of my people***, and ***mine elect*** shall *long enjoy the work of their hands*.

Jeremiah 8:8 How do **ye** say, **We** are **wise**, and **the law** of ***the LORD*** *is* with **us**? Lo, certainly **in vain made he it**; **the pen of the scribes is in vain**. **9** The **wise men** are **ashamed**, they are

dismayed and **taken**: lo, **they** have **rejected** the ***word of the LORD***; and what ***wisdom*** is in **them**? **10** Therefore will ***I*** give **their wives** unto others, and their **fields** to ***them that shall inherit them***: for **every one** from **the least** even unto **the greatest** is given to **covetousness**, from **the prophet** even unto **the priest** every one dealeth **falsely**. **11** For they have ***healed*** the **hurt** of ***the daughter of my people*** slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace. **12 Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination**? nay, **they were not at all ashamed**, neither could **they** blush: **therefore shall they fall among them that fall**: in the time of **their** visitation they shall be **cast down**, saith ***the LORD***. **13** I will surely consume **them**, saith **the LORD**: *there shall be no* ***grapes*** *on* ***the vine****, nor* ***figs*** *on the* ***fig tree****, and the* ***leaf*** *shall* **fade***; and the things that I have given* **them** shall pass away from **them**.

Note: ***Wise men should be ashamed*** when they **sin** against ***God***. Remember this, no ***root***, no ***fruit***.

Jeremiah 5:14 *Wherefore thus saith the* ***LORD God of hosts*****,** Because **ye** speak **this word,** behold, ***I will make my words*** *in thy mouth* **fire**, and **this people wood,** and **it shall devour them.**

Jeremiah 11:16 ***The LORD*** called ***thy name***, A ***green olive tree***, ***fair***, *and* of ***goodly fruit***: with the noise of a great **tumult** he hath kindled **fire** upon it, and ***the branches*** of it are **broken**. **17** For ***the LORD of hosts****, that* ***planted thee****, hath pronounced* **evil** *against* **thee***, for the* **evil** *of* **the house of Israel and of the house of Judah***, which* **they** *have done against* **themselves** *to* provoke me to anger in offering incense unto **Baal**. **18** And ***the LORD*** hath given ***me knowledge*** *of it*, *and I know it*: then thou shewedst me **their doings**. **19** But ***I*** *was* like a ***lamb*** *or* an ***ox*** *that* is brought to the **slaughter**; and ***I*** knew not that **they** had **devised devices** against ***me***, *saying*, Let us destroy ***the tree with the fruit*** thereof, and let **us** cut ***him*** off from **the land of the living**, that ***his name*** may be no more remembered.

The above passage is a picture of the Jews, and **Satan** seeking to crucify ***Jesus***, to cut off the ***Word*** out of the land of the living.

John 1:1 In the beginning was ***the Word***, and ***the Word was with God***, and ***the Word was God***.

John 1:14 And ***the Word was made flesh***, and dwelt among ***us***, (and ***we*** beheld ***his glory***, ***the glory as of the only begotten of the Father***,) full of ***grace*** and ***truth***.

John 3:16¶ For ***God*** so loved **the world**, that he gave ***his only begotten Son***, that ***whosoever believeth in him*** *should not* **perish**, but have ***everlasting life***.

Jeremiah 17:7 ***Blessed*** *is* ***the man*** that trusteth in ***the LORD***, and ***whose hope the LORD is***. **8** For ***he shall be as a tree planted by the waters***, and *that* spreadeth out ***her roots*** by ***the river***, and shall not see when heat cometh, but ***her leaf*** shall be ***green***; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, ***neither shall cease from yielding fruit***.

Remember **the people who** wanted **a king** over **them** in the passages from Judges above.

Ezekiel 15:1 And ***the word of the LORD*** came unto ***me***, saying,**2** ***Son of man***, What is **the vine tree** more than **any tree**, *or than* **a branch** which is among **the trees of the forest**? **3** Shall **wood** be taken thereof to do any work? or will *men* take **a pin of it** to hang any vessel thereon? **4** Behold, **it** is cast into the **fire** for **fuel**; the **fire devoureth** both the ends of **it**, and the midst of it is **burned**. Is **it** *meet* for *any work*? **5** Behold, when **it was whole**, **it** was meet for no work: how much less shall **it** be meet yet for *any work*, when the **fire** hath **devoured it**, and **it is burned**? **6** Therefore thus saith ***the Lord GOD***; As **the vine tree** among **the trees of the forest**, which ***I*** have given to the **fire** for **fuel**, so will ***I*** give **the inhabitants of Jerusalem**. **7** And ***I*** will set **my face against them**; they shall go out from **one fire**, and **another fire** shall **devour them**; and ***ye*** shall know that ***I am the LORD***, when ***I*** set my face against **them**. **8** And ***I*** will make **the land desolate**, because **they** have committed a **trespass**, saith ***the Lord GOD***.

Ezekiel 17:1 And ***the word of the LORD*** came unto ***me***, saying, 2 ***Son of man***, put forth a riddle, and speak a parable unto **the house of Israel**; 3 And say, *Thus saith* ***the Lord GOD;*** A great eagle with great wings, longwinged, full of feathers, which had divers colours, came unto ***Lebanon,*** and took **the highest branch of the cedar**: 4 **He cropped off the top of his young twigs**, and carried ***it*** into a land of traffick; he set it in a city of **merchants**. **5** *He took also of* ***the seed*** *of* ***the land****, and* ***planted it*** *in a* ***fruitful field****; he placed it by* ***great waters****, and set it as* **a willow tree**. **6** And ***it grew***, and became ***a spreading vine*** *of* ***low*** *stature, whose* ***branches*** turned toward **him***, and* **the roots** thereof were under **him***: so it became* ***a vine,*** and brought forth ***branches,*** and shot forth ***sprigs***. **7** There was also another great eagle with great wings and many feathers: and, behold***, this vine*** did bend ***her roots*** *toward* **him***,* and shot forth ***her branches*** *toward* **him***,* that **he** might water **it** by **the furrows of her plantation**. **8** ***It was planted*** *in a* ***good soil*** *by* ***great waters****,* that ***it*** might bring forth ***branches****,* and that ***it*** might bear ***fruit****, that* ***it*** *might be a* ***goodly vine***. **9** *Say thou, Thus saith* ***the Lord GOD****; Shall* **it** *prosper?* shall ***he*** not **pull up the roots** thereof*, and* **cut off the fruit** thereof, that **it wither***?* **it shall wither** in all **the leaves** of **her spring***,* even without great power or **many people** to **pluck it up by the roots** thereof. **10** Yea, behold, being **planted***,* shall **it** *prosper?* shall **it** not utterly **wither***,* when *the east wind toucheth it?* **it shall wither** *in* **the furrows where it grew**. **11** Moreover ***the word of the LORD*** came unto ***me***, saying, **12** *Say now to* **the rebellious house**, *Know* **ye** *not what these things mean? tell* **them***,* Behold, **the king of Babylon** is come to **Jerusalem***,* and hath taken **the king thereof, and the princes thereof, and led them** with ***him*** to Babylon; **13** And hath taken of **the king's seed***,* and made *a* ***covenant*** with **him***,* and hath taken an ***oath*** *of* **him***:* **he** hath also taken **the mighty of the land**: **14** *That the kingdom might be base, that it might not lift itself up,* but that by ***keeping of his covenant it might stand***. **15** But **he rebelled against him in sending his ambassadors into Egypt, that they might give him horses and much people**. *Shall* **he** *prosper? shall* **he** *escape that doeth such things? or shall* **he break** *the* ***covenant****,* and be ***delivered***? **16** *As I* ***live****, saith* ***the Lord GOD****, s*urely in the place where **the king** dwelleth *that made* **him king***, whose oath* **he despised***, and whose*

covenant **he brake**, even with **him** in the midst of Babylon **he** shall **die**. **17** Neither shall **Pharaoh with his mighty army and great company** make for **him** in the **war**, by casting up mounts, and building forts, **to cut off many persons**: **18** Seeing **he despised** *the* ***oath*** by **breaking** *the* ***covenant****, when, lo,* **he** had given **his hand**, and hath done all these things**, he** shall not *escape*. **19** *Therefore thus saith* ***the Lord GOD****; As* ***I live****, surely* ***mine oath*** *that* **he** *hath* **despised**, *and* ***my covenant*** *that* **he** *hath* ***broken****, even* ***it*** *will* ***I*** *recompense upon* **his** own head. **20** *And* ***I*** *will spread my net upon* **him**, *and* **he** *shall be* **taken** *in* ***my snare****, and* ***I*** *will bring* **him** *to Babylon, and will plead with* **him** *there for his trespass that* **he** *hath trespassed against* ***me***. **21** *And all* **his fugitives with all his bands** *shall fall by* ***the sword****, and* **they that remain** *shall be* **scattered** *toward all winds: and* ***ye*** *shall know that* ***I the LORD*** *have spoken it*.

22 *Thus saith* ***the Lord GOD****;* ***I*** *will also take of* ***the highest branch of the high cedar****, and will set* ***it****;* ***I*** *will crop off from the top of* ***his young twigs a tender one****, and will* ***plant it*** *upon an high mountain and eminent*: **23** *In the mountain of the height of Israel will* ***I plant it****: and* ***it shall bring forth boughs, and bear fruit, and be a goodly cedar****: and under* ***it*** *shall dwell all fowl of every wing;* ***in the shadow of the branches*** *thereof shall they dwell.* **24** *And* **all the trees** *of the field shall know that* ***I the LORD*** *have brought down* **the high tree**, *have exalted* ***the low tree****, have dried up* **the green tree**, *and have made* ***the dry tree*** *to flourish:* ***I the LORD have spoken and have done it***.

James 4:10 ***Humble yourselves*** in the sight of ***the Lord***, and ***he shall lift you up***.

1 Peter 5:6 ***Humble yourselves*** therefore under ***the mighty hand of God***, that ***he may exalt you*** in due time:

Ezekiel 20:45 Moreover ***the word of the LORD*** came unto me, saying, 46 ***Son of man***, set thy face toward the south, and drop ***thy word*** toward the south, and ***prophesy*** against **the forest** of the south field; **47** *And say* to **the forest** of the south, ***Hear the word of the LORD; Thus saith the Lord GOD****; Behold, I will kindle a* **fire** *in* **thee**, *and* **it shall devour every green tree in thee**, *and* **every dry tree**: *the* **flaming flame shall not be quenched**, *and* **all faces** *from the south to the north shall be* **burned** therein.

Ezekiel 21:8 Again ***the word of the LORD*** came unto ***me***, saying, 9 ***Son of man***, ***prophesy***, and ***say***, *Thus saith* ***the LORD****; Say,* **A sword, a sword** is sharpened, and also furbished: **10 It** is sharpened to make a sore **slaughter**; it is furbished that it may glitter: should we then make ***mirth***? it contemneth ***the rod of my son****, as* every **tree**. (It's true, men despise Jesus Christ.)

Proverbs 16:18 Pride goeth before **destruction**, and an **haughty spirit** before a **fall**.

Ezekiel 31:1 And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the third *month*, in the first *day* of the month, *that* t***he word of the LORD*** came unto ***me***, saying, 2 ***Son of man***, speak unto **Pharaoh king of Egypt**, and to **his multitude**; Whom art thou like in thy greatness? **3**

Behold, **the Assyrian *was* a cedar in Lebanon with fair branches**, and with a shadowing shroud, and of an high stature; and his top was among the **thick boughs**. **4** ***The waters*** made him great, ***the deep*** set him up on **high** with ***her rivers*** running round about **his plants**, and sent out ***her little rivers*** unto all ***the trees*** of the field.**5** Therefore his **height** was **exalted** above all **the trees** of the field, and his **boughs** were multiplied, and his **branches** became long because of the multitude of ***waters***, when he shot forth. **6** All **the fowls** of heaven made their nests in his **boughs**, and under his **branches** did all **the beasts** of the field bring forth their young, and under his shadow dwelt all great **nations**. **7** Thus was he fair in his greatness, in the length of **his branches**: for **his root** was by ***great waters***. **8 The cedars** *in* ***the garden of God*** could not hide **him**: the **fir trees** were not like his **boughs**, and the **chesnut trees** were not like his **branches**; nor **any tree** *in* ***the garden of God*** was like unto him in his **beauty**. **9** ***I*** have made **him** fair by the multitude of his **branches**: so that all **the trees** *of* ***Eden****, that were in* ***the garden of God***, **envied him**.

10 Therefore thus saith ***the Lord GOD***; Because **thou** hast **lifted up thyself** in **height**, and **he** hath **shot up his top** among the **thick boughs**, and **his heart is lifted up in his height**; **11** ***I*** have therefore delivered him into the hand of **the mighty one of the heathen**; **he shall surely deal with him**: ***I*** have **driven him out** for his **wickedness**. **12** And **strangers**, **the terrible of the nations**, have **cut him off**, and have left **him**: upon the mountains and in all the valleys **his branches** are fallen, and **his boughs** are **broken** by all ***the rivers of the land***; and all **the people** of the earth are gone down from **his shadow**, and have left **him**. **13** Upon his **ruin** shall all **the fowls of the heaven** remain, and all **the beasts of the field** shall be upon **his branches**: **14** To the end that none of all **the trees** by ***the waters*** **exalt** themselves for **their height**, neither **shoot up their top** among the **thick boughs**, neither **their trees stand up in their height**, all that drink ***water***: for **they are all delivered unto death, to the nether parts of the earth, in the midst of the children of men, with them that go down to the pit**. **15** Thus saith ***the Lord GOD***; In the day when **he** went down to the grave ***I*** caused a mourning: ***I*** covered ***the deep*** for him, and ***I*** restrained ***the floods*** thereof, and ***the great waters*** were stayed: and ***I*** caused ***Lebanon*** to **mourn** for **him**, and **all the trees** of the field **fainted** for **him**. **16** ***I*** made **the nations** to shake at the sound of **his fall**, when ***I*** **cast him down to hell with them that descend into the pit: and all the trees of Eden, the choice and best of Lebanon, all that drink water, shall be comforted in the nether parts of the earth**. **17 They** also went down into **hell** with **him** unto *them that be* slain with **the sword**; and **they that were his arm**, that dwelt under **his shadow** in the **midst of the heathen**.**18** To whom art **thou** thus like in **glory** and in **greatness** among **the trees** of ***Eden***? yet shalt **thou** be brought down with **the trees** of ***Eden*** unto the nether parts of the earth: **thou** shalt lie in the midst of **the uncircumcised** with **them** that be slain by the sword. **This *is* Pharaoh and all his multitude**, saith ***the Lord GOD***. (This is also a picture of Satan, think about it, and what is being said.)

Note: Notice the change in **Nebuchadnezzar** as the next text flows before he was ***humbled*** by ***God***, and then after ***Nebuchadnezzar*** was ***humbled***.

Daniel 4:1 Nebuchadnezzar the king, unto **all people**, **nations**, and **languages**, that dwell in **all the earth**; Peace be multiplied unto you. 2 **I** thought it good to shew the signs and wonders that ***the high God*** hath wrought toward **me**. 3 How ***great*** *are* ***his signs***! and how ***mighty*** *are* ***his wonders***! ***his kingdom is an everlasting kingdom***, and ***his dominion is from generation to generation***.

4 **I Nebuchadnezzar** was at rest in mine house, and flourishing in my palace: **5 I** saw a dream which made **me** afraid, and the thoughts upon my bed and the visions of my head troubled **me**. **6** Therefore made **I** a decree to bring in all **the wise men of Babylon** before me, that they might make known unto me the interpretation of the dream. **7** Then came in the **magicians**, the **astrologers**, the **Chaldeans**, and the **soothsayers**: and **I** told the dream before **them**; but they did not make known unto **me** the interpretation thereof.

8 But at the last ***Daniel*** came in before **me**, *whose name was* ***Belteshazzar***, according to the name of my god, and *in whom is the spirit of the holy gods*: and before ***him*** **I** told the dream, *saying*, **9** ***O Belteshazzar, master*** of the **magicians**, because **I** know that *the spirit of the holy gods is* in ***thee***, and no secret troubleth ***thee***, tell **me** the visions of my dream that **I** have seen, and the interpretation thereof. **10** Thus *were* the visions of mine head in my bed; **I** saw, and behold **a tree** in the midst of the earth, and the height thereof *was* great. **11 The tree** grew, and was strong, and the **height** thereof reached unto heaven, and the sight thereof to the end of all the earth: **12** The **leaves** thereof *were* fair, and the **fruit** thereof much, and in it *was* **meat** for all: ***the beasts of the field*** had shadow under it, and ***the fowls of the heaven*** dwelt in the boughs thereof, and all flesh was fed of **it**. **13 I** saw in the visions of my head upon my bed, and, behold, ***a watcher and an holy one*** came down from ***heaven***; **14** ***He*** *cried aloud*, and said thus, *Hew down* **the tree**, *and* **cut off his branches**, **shake off his leaves**, *and* **scatter his fruit**: *let* **the beasts** *get away from under* **it**, *and* **the fowls** *from* **his branches**: **15** *Nevertheless leave* **the stump of his roots** *in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet with* ***the dew of heaven****, and let* ***his portion be with the beasts in the grass of the earth***: **16** *Let his heart be changed from* **man's***, and let* ***a*** **beast's** *heart be given unto* **him***; and let seven times pass over* **him**. **17** *This matter is by the decree of* ***the watchers****, and the demand by* ***the word of the holy ones****: to the intent that* **the living** *may know that* ***the most High ruleth*** *in* **the kingdom of men***, and giveth it to whomsoever* ***he*** *will, and setteth up over it* ***the basest of men***. **18** This dream **I** king **Nebuchadnezzar** have seen. Now ***thou***, ***O Belteshazzar***, declare the interpretation thereof, forasmuch as all **the wise men of my kingdom are not able to make known unto me the interpretation**: but ***thou art able***; for *the spirit of the holy gods is in* ***thee***.

19 Then ***Daniel***, whose name *was* ***Belteshazzar***, was astonied for one hour, and ***his*** thoughts troubled ***him***. The **king** spake, and said, ***Belteshazzar***, let not the dream, or the interpretation thereof, trouble ***thee***. ***Belteshazzar*** answered and said, My lord, the dream *be* to **them** that hate **thee**, and the interpretation thereof to thine **enemies**. **20 The tree** that

thou sawest, which grew, and was strong, whose **height** reached unto the heaven, and the sight thereof to all the earth; **21** Whose **leaves** *were* fair, and the **fruit** thereof much, and in it *was* **meat** for all; under which ***the beasts of the field*** dwelt, and upon whose **branches** the ***fowls of the heaven*** had their habitation: **22 It is thou, O king**, that art grown and become strong: for thy **greatness** is grown, and reacheth unto ***heaven***, and thy dominion to the end of the earth. **23** And whereas **the king** saw ***a watcher and an holy one*** coming down from ***heaven***, and *saying*, *Hew* **the tree** *down, and* **destroy it**; *yet leave* **the stump of the roots** *thereof in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field*; *and let it be wet with* ***the dew of heaven****, and let* ***his portion be with the beasts of the field****, till seven times pass over* ***him***; **24** This *is* the interpretation, **O king**, and this *is* the decree of ***the most High***, which is come upon my lord **the king**: **25** That **they** shall drive thee from **men**, and **thy** dwelling shall be with ***the beasts of the field***, and they shall make thee to eat ***grass*** as oxen, and they shall wet ***thee*** with ***the dew of heaven***, and seven times shall pass over ***thee***, till ***thou*** know that ***the most High ruleth*** in **the kingdom of men**, and giveth it to whomsoever ***he*** will. **26** And whereas they commanded to leave **the stump of the tree roots**; **thy kingdom** shall be sure unto thee, after that ***thou*** shalt have known that ***the heavens do rule***. **27** Wherefore, **O king**, let my counsel be acceptable unto **thee**, and break off **thy sins** by ***righteousness***, and **thine iniquities** by shewing ***mercy*** to the poor; if it may be a lengthening of thy tranquillity.

28 All this came upon **the king Nebuchadnezzar**. **29** At the end of twelve months he walked in the palace of the kingdom of Babylon. **30 The king** spake, and said, Is not this **great Babylon**, that **I** have built for the house of **the kingdom** by the **might of my power**, and for the **honour** of **my majesty**? **31** While the word *was* in **the king's** mouth, there fell ***a voice from heaven***, *saying*, ***O king Nebuchadnezzar, to thee*** *it is spoken*; *The kingdom is departed from* **thee**. **32** *And* **they** *shall drive* **thee** *from* **men**, *and* **thy** *dwelling shall be with* ***the beasts of the field***: *they shall make thee to eat* ***grass*** *as oxen, and seven times shall pass over* ***thee****, until* ***thou*** *know that* ***the most High ruleth*** *in* **the kingdom of men***, and giveth* **it** *to whomsoever* ***he*** *will*. **33** The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon **Nebuchadnezzar**: and he was driven from **men**, and did eat ***grass*** as oxen, and his body was wet with ***the dew of heaven***, till his hairs were grown like eagles' *feathers*, and his nails like birds' *claws*.

34 And at the end of the days ***I Nebuchadnezzar*** lifted up ***mine eyes*** unto heaven, ***and mine understanding*** returned unto ***me***, and ***I blessed the most High****, and* ***I praised and honoured him that liveth for ever****, whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom is from generation to generation*: **35** *And all* **the inhabitants of the earth** *are reputed as* **nothing**: *and* ***he*** *doeth according to* ***his will*** *in the army of heaven, and among* **the inhabitants of the earth**: *and* **none** *can stay* ***his hand****, or say unto* ***him****, What doest* ***thou***? **36** *At the same time* ***my reason*** *returned unto* ***me***; *and for the* ***glory*** *of my kingdom*, ***mine honour and brightness returned unto me***; *and my counsellors and my lords sought unto* ***me****; and* ***I*** *was established in my kingdom, and* ***excellent majesty was added unto me***. **37** ***Now I Nebuchadnezzar praise and***

extol and honour the King of heaven, all whose works are truth, and his ways judgment: *and* **those that walk in pride** ***he is able to abase***.

Hosea 9:10 ***I found Israel like grapes in the wilderness***; ***I saw your fathers as the firstripe in the fig tree*** at ***her*** first time: *but* **they** went to **Baal–peor**, and separated **themselves** unto that **shame**; and their **abominations** were according as **they** loved.

Hosea 14:1 O Israel, return unto ***the LORD thy God***; for **thou** hast fallen by **thine iniquity**. 2 Take with you words, and turn to ***the LORD***: say unto him, Take away all **iniquity**, and receive ***us*** graciously: so will ***we*** render the calves of our lips. 3 **Asshur** shall not save us; ***we*** will not ride upon horses: neither will ***we*** say any more to **the work of our hands**, **Ye *are* our gods**: for ***in thee the fatherless findeth mercy***.

4 ***I will heal*** their **backsliding,** ***I will love them*** freely: for mine anger is turned away from ***him***. **5** ***I will be as the dew unto Israel: he shall grow as the lily, and cast forth his roots as Lebanon***. **6** ***His branches shall spread, and his beauty shall be as the olive tree, and his smell as Lebanon***. **7** ***They that dwell under his shadow*** *shall* ***return***; ***they*** *shall* ***revive as the corn***, and ***grow as the vine***: *the* ***scent*** *thereof* ***shall be as the wine of Lebanon***.

8 ***Ephraim*** *shall say*, What have ***I*** to do any more with **idols**? ***I*** have heard ***him***, and ***observed him***: ***I am like a green fir tree***. ***From me is thy fruit found***. **9** Who *is* ***wise***, and ***he shall understand*** these *things*? ***prudent***, and ***he shall know them***? ***for the ways of the LORD are right, and the just shall walk in them***: but **the transgressors shall fall** therein.

Isaiah 54:5 For ***thy Maker is thine husband***; ***the LORD of hosts is his name***; and ***thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel; The God of the whole earth*** shall he be called.

Joel 1:1 ***The word of the LORD*** that came to ***Joel*** the son of Pethuel. 2 *Hear this,* ***ye old men,*** *and give ear, all* ***ye inhabitants of the land****. Hath this been in your days, or even in the days of your* ***fathers***? 3 *Tell ye your* ***children*** *of it, and let your* ***children*** *tell their* ***children,*** *and their* ***children*** *another* ***generation***. 4 That which **the palmerworm** hath left hath **the locust** eaten; and that which **the locust** hath left hath **the cankerworm** eaten; and that which **the cankerworm** hath left hath **the caterpiller** eaten. 5 Awake, **ye drunkards**, and weep; and howl, all **ye drinkers of wine**, because of ***the new wine***; for it is cut off from your mouth. 6 For **a nation** is come up upon ***my land***, **strong**, **and without number, whose teeth *are* the teeth of a lion, and he hath the cheek teeth of a great lion**. **7** He hath laid ***my vine*** waste, and barked ***my fig tree***: he hath made ***it*** clean bare, and cast *it* away; ***the branches*** thereof are made white. **8** Lament like a virgin girded with sackcloth for ***the husband*** of **her** youth. **9** ***The meat offering and the drink offering*** is cut off from ***the house of the LORD***; ***the priests***, ***the LORD'S ministers***, **mourn**. **10** *The* ***field*** is **wasted**, the ***land*** **mourneth**; for ***the corn*** is **wasted**: ***the new wine*** is **dried up**, ***the oil*** **languisheth**. **11** Be ye **ashamed**, O ***ye husbandmen***; howl, O ***ye vinedressers***, for the ***wheat*** and for the ***barley***; because the ***harvest of the field*** is

perished. **12** ***The vine*** is **dried up**, and ***the fig tree*** **languisheth**; ***the pomegranate tree***, ***the palm tree*** also, and ***the apple tree***, *even* all ***the trees of the field***, are **withered**: because ***joy*** is **withered** away from **the sons of men**. **13** Gird yourselves, and lament, ***ye priests***: howl, ***ye ministers*** of the altar: come, lie all night in sackcloth, ***ye ministers of my God***: for ***the meat offering and the drink offering*** is withholden from ***the house of your God***.

14 Sanctify ye a fast, call a solemn ***assembly***, gather ***the elders*** *and* all ***the inhabitants of the land into the house of the LORD your God***, and cry unto the LORD, **15** Alas for the day! for the day of the LORD *is* at hand, and as a destruction from the Almighty shall it come. **16** Is not ***the meat*** cut off before our eyes, *yea*, ***joy*** and ***gladness*** from the ***house of our God***? **17** ***The seed*** is rotten under their clods, the garners are laid desolate, the barns are broken down; for ***the corn*** is withered. **18** How do ***the beasts*** groan! ***the herds of cattle*** are perplexed, because they have no ***pasture***; yea, ***the flocks of sheep*** are made desolate. ***19 O LORD, to thee will I cry***: for the fire hath devoured *the pastures of the wilderness*, and the flame hath burned all ***the trees of the field***. **20** ***The beasts of the field cry also unto thee***: for ***the rivers of waters*** are dried up, and the fire hath devoured ***the pastures of the wilderness***.

Joel 2:21 *Fear not, O* ***land****; be glad and* ***rejoice****: for* ***the LORD*** *will do* ***great things***. **22** *Be not afraid,* ***ye beasts of the field****: for the* ***pastures of the wilderness*** *do* ***spring****, for* ***the tree beareth her fruit, the fig tree and the vine do yield their strength***. **23** *Be* ***glad*** *then*, ***ye children of Zion***, *and* ***rejoice*** *in* ***the LORD your God***: *for* ***he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain*** *in the first month*. **24** *And the floors shall be full of* ***wheat****, and* ***the fats shall overflow with wine and oil***. **25** *And* ***I*** *will* ***restore*** *to you the years that* **the locust** hath eaten, **the cankerworm**, and **the caterpiller**, and **the palmerworm**, *my* **great army** *which* ***I*** *sent among* ***you***. **26** *And ye shall* ***eat*** *in plenty, and be* ***satisfied****, and* ***praise the name of the LORD your God****, that hath dealt* ***wondrously*** *with you: and* ***my people*** *shall never be* **ashamed**. **27** *And* ***ye*** *shall know that* ***I am in the midst of Israel****, and that* ***I am the LORD your God****, and none else: and* ***my people*** *shall never be* **ashamed**.

Zechariah 4:3 And ***two olive trees*** by it, one upon the right *side* of the bowl, and the other upon the left *side* thereof.

Zechariah 4:11 Then answered ***I***, and said unto ***him***, What *are* ***these two olive trees upon the right side of the candlestick and upon the left side*** thereof?**12** And ***I*** answered again, and said unto ***him***, What *be* ***these two olive branches*** which through the two ***golden pipes*** empty the ***golden oil*** out of ***themselves***? **13** And he answered me and said, Knowest thou not what ***these*** *be*? And ***I*** said, No, ***my lord***. **14** Then said ***he***, ***These are the two anointed ones, that stand by the Lord of the whole earth***.

Jeremiah 5:14 *Wherefore thus saith* ***the LORD God*** *of hosts*, Because ye speak this word, behold, ***I will make my words in thy mouth fire***, and **this people wood**, and ***it*** shall devour **them**.

Zechariah 11:1 Open thy doors, ***O Lebanon***, that the **fire** may devour **thy cedars**. **2** Howl, **fir tree**; for **the cedar** is fallen; because **the mighty** are spoiled: howl, O **ye oaks of Bashan; for the forest of the vintage is come down**.**3** There is a voice of the **howling** of the **shepherds**; for **their glory** is spoiled: a voice of the roaring of young lions; for **the pride** of Jordan is spoiled.

Ezekiel 34:1 And ***the word of the LORD*** came unto ***me***, saying, **2** ***Son of man***, *prophesy* **against the shepherds of Israel**, *prophesy*, and *say* unto **them**, Thus saith ***the Lord GOD*** unto the **shepherds**; **Woe** *be* to **the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves**! should not the ***shepherds*** feed the ***flocks***? **3 Ye** eat the ***fat***, and **ye** clothe **you** with the ***wool***, **ye kill** ***them that are fed***: but **ye feed not** the ***flock***. **4** The ***diseased*** have **ye** not ***strengthened***, neither have **ye** ***healed that which was sick***, neither have **ye** ***bound up that which was broken***, neither have **ye** ***brought again that which was driven away***, neither have **ye** ***sought that which was lost***; but **with force and with cruelty have ye** ruled ***them***.

5 And ***they were scattered***, because there is no **shepherd**: and ***they*** became **meat** to all **the beasts** of the field, when ***they*** were **scattered**. **6** ***My sheep*** wandered through all the mountains, and upon every high hill: yea, ***my flock*** was **scattered** upon all the face of the earth, and **none** did ***search*** *or* ***seek*** *after* ***them***.

7 Therefore, **ye shepherds**, *hear* ***the word of the LORD***; **8** *As* ***I*** live, saith ***the Lord GOD***, surely because ***my flock*** became a **prey**, and ***my flock*** became **meat** to every **beast of the field**, because there *was* no **shepherd**, neither did my **shepherds** *search for* ***my flock***, but **the shepherds fed themselves**, and fed not ***my flock***; **9** Therefore, O ye **shepherds**, *hear* ***the word of the LORD***; **10** *Thus saith* ***the Lord GOD***; Behold, ***I am*** **against** the **shepherds**; and ***I*** will require ***my flock*** at **their hand**, and cause **them** to **cease** from feeding ***the flock***; neither shall **the shepherds** feed **themselves** any more; for ***I will deliver my flock*** from their **mouth**, that ***they*** may not be **meat** for them.

11 *For thus saith* ***the Lord GOD***; Behold, ***I***, *even* ***I,*** *will both* ***search my sheep***, *and* ***seek them*** *out*. **12** ***As a shepherd seeketh out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep that are scattered; so will I seek out my sheep, and will deliver them*** *out of all places where* ***they*** *have been* **scattered** *in the* cloudy and dark day. **13** And ***I will bring them out*** *from* **the people**, *and* ***gather them*** *from the* **countries**, *and* ***will bring them to their own land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the rivers****, and in all the inhabited places of the* ***country***. **14** ***I will feed them in a good pasture, and upon the high mountains of Israel shall their fold be: there shall they lie in a good fold, and in a fat pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel***. **15** ***I will feed my flock, and I will cause them to lie down, saith the Lord GOD***. **16** ***I*** *will* ***seek***

that *which was* **lost**, *and* ***bring again that*** *which was* **driven away**, *and will* ***bind up that*** *which was* **broken**, *and will* ***strengthen that*** *which was* **sick**: *but* ***I*** will **destroy the fat and the strong**; ***I*** will **feed them** *with* ***judgment***. **17** *And as for* ***you, O my flock****, thus saith* ***the Lord GOD***; *Behold*, ***I judge*** *between* ***cattle*** *and* **cattle,** *between* ***the rams*** *and* **the he goats**. **18** *Seemeth it* a small thing unto **you** to have eaten up ***the good pasture***, but ye must **tread down** with your **feet** the ***residue*** of **your pastures**? and to have drunk of ***the deep waters***, but **ye** must **foul** the ***residue*** with **your feet**? **19** And *as for* ***my flock***, ***they*** eat **that which ye have trodden with your feet**; and ***they*** drink **that which ye have fouled with your feet**.

20 *Therefore thus saith* ***the Lord GOD*** *unto* **them***; Behold,* ***I****, even* ***I, will judge*** *between the* **fat cattle** *and between the* ***lean cattle***. **21** Because **ye have thrust** with side and with shoulder, and **pushed** all ***the diseased*** with your horns, till ye have **scattered** ***them*** abroad; **22** ***Therefore will I save my flock***, and they shall no more be a **prey**; and ***I will judge*** *between* **cattle** *and* ***cattle***. **23** *And* ***I will set up one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them, even my servant David; he shall feed them, and he shall be their shepherd***. **24** *And* ***I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David a prince among them; I the LORD have spoken it***. **25** *And* ***I will make with them a covenant of peace***, *and will cause* **the evil beasts** *to cease out of the* ***land***: *and* ***they*** *shall dwell safely in* ***the wilderness****, and sleep in* ***the woods***. **26** *And I will make* ***them*** *and* ***the places round about my hill a blessing****; and* ***I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing***. **27** *And* ***the tree of the field shall yield her fruit****, and* ***the earth shall yield her increase****, and* ***they shall be safe in their land, and shall know that I am the LORD, when I have broken*** *the* **bands of their yoke***, and* ***delivered them out*** **of the hand of those that served themselves** *of* ***them***. **28** *And* ***they shall no more be a prey*** *to* **the heathen***, neither shall* **the beast of the land** *devour* ***them****; but* ***they shall dwell safely,*** *and* **none** *shall make* ***them*** **afraid**. **29** ***And I will raise up for them a plant of renown***, *and* ***they*** *shall be no more consumed with hunger in the land, neither bear* **the shame of the heathen** *any more*. **30** ***Thus shall they know that I the LORD their God am with them, and that they, even the house of Israel, are my people, saith the Lord GOD***. **31** ***And ye my flock, the flock of my pasture, are men, and I am your God, saith the Lord GOD***.

Matthew 9:12 But when ***Jesus*** heard *that*, he said unto them, They that be ***whole*** need not a ***physician***, but they that are **sick**.

Luke 5:32 ***I*** came not to call the ***righteous***, but **sinners** to ***repentance***.

Matthew 3:10 And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the **trees**: therefore every **tree** which **bringeth not** forth ***good fruit*** is **hewn down**, and **cast into the fire**.

Matthew 7:17 Even so ***every good tree bringeth forth good fruit***; but a **corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit**. **18** A ***good tree*** cannot bring forth **evil fruit**, neither *can* a **corrupt tree** bring forth ***good fruit***. **19** Every **tree** that bringeth not forth ***good fruit*** is **hewn down**, and **cast into the fire**. **20** Wherefore by their **fruits** ye shall know **them**.

Matthew 12:33 Either ***make the tree good, and his fruit good***; or else **make the tree corrupt, and his fruit corrupt**: for the **tree** is known by ***his fruit***. **34** O **generation of vipers,** how can **ye, being evil,** speak ***good things***? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh. **35** ***A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things***: and **an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things**. **36** But ***I*** say unto **you,** That **every idle word** that **men shall speak, they** shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. **37** For ***by thy words thou shalt be justified***, and **by thy words thou shalt be condemned**.

Proverbs 18:21 Death and ***life*** *are* in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat **the fruit** thereof.

Matthew 13:31 Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The ***kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed***, which ***a man*** took, and ***sowed in his field***: **32** Which indeed is ***the least of all seeds***: but ***when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree***, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in ***the branches*** thereof.

Luke 8:11 Now the parable is this: ***The seed is the word of God***.

Mark 8:22 And ***he*** cometh to Bethsaida; and they bring a **blind man** unto ***him***, and besought him to touch **him**. 23 And ***he*** took the **blind man** by the hand, and led **him** out of the town; and when ***he*** had spit on **his eyes**, and put ***his hands*** upon **him**, he asked **him** if **he** saw ought.**24** And **he** looked up, and said, **I see men as trees**, walking. **25** After that ***he*** put ***his hands*** again upon ***his eyes***, and made ***him*** look up: and ***he was restored***, and saw every **man** clearly. **26** And ***he*** sent ***him*** away to his house, saying, Neither go into the town, nor tell *it* to **any** in the town.

Luke 3:9 And now also the axe is laid unto the **root** of the **trees**: every **tree** therefore which bringeth not forth ***good fruit*** is **hewn down**, and **cast into the fire**.

Luke 6:43 For a ***good tree*** bringeth not forth **corrupt fruit**; neither doth a **corrupt tree bring** forth ***good fruit***. **44** For every **tree** is known by his own **fruit**. For of **thorns** men do not gather ***figs***, nor of a **bramble bush** gather they ***grapes***. **45** A ***good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good***; and **an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil**: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh

Luke 13:6 He spake also this parable; A ***certain man*** had a **fig tree** planted in his vineyard; and he came and sought ***fruit*** thereon, and found **none**. **7** Then said ***he*** unto ***the dresser of his vineyard***, Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this **fig tree,** and find none**: cut it down**; why cumbereth it ***the ground***? **8** And ***he*** answering said unto ***him***, ***Lord***, let **it** alone this year also, till I shall dig about **it**, and ***dung it***: **9** And if it bear ***fruit***, *well*: and if not, *then* after that ***thou*** shalt **cut it down**. **10** And ***he*** was ***teaching*** in one of the synagogues on the sabbath.

God gives trees a chance, sometimes the tree needs some help, some food, men are trees that need the Word of God, the bread for our souls.

Matthew 4:4 But he answered and said, It is written, **Man** shall not live by **bread** alone, ***but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God***.

John 6:35 And ***Jesus*** said unto ***them***, ***I am the bread of life***: ***he*** that cometh to ***me*** shall never hunger; and ***he that believeth on me*** shall never thirst.

John 15:1 ***I am the true vine***, and my ***Father*** is ***the husbandman***. **2** Every ***branch*** in ***me*** that **beareth not fruit he taketh away**: and every ***branch*** that ***beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit***. **3** ***Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you***. **4** ***Abide in me, and I in you.*** As **the branch cannot bear fruit of itself*, except it abide in the vine;* no more can ye*, except ye abide in me***. **5** ***I am the vine***, ***ye are the branches***: ***He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit:*** **for without *me* ye can do nothing**. **6** If **a man** abide not ***in me***, **he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered**; and ***men*** gather **them,** and **cast them into the fire, and they are burned**. **7** If ***ye*** abide in ***me***, and ***my words*** abide in ***you***, ***ye*** shall ask what ***ye*** will, and it shall be done unto ***you***. **8** ***Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples***.

Romans 11:1 ***I*** say then, Hath ***God*** cast away ***his people***? ***God*** forbid. For ***I*** also am ***an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin***. 2 ***God*** hath not cast away ***his people*** which ***he*** foreknew. Wot ***ye*** not what ***the scripture*** saith of ***Elias***? how ***he*** maketh intercession to ***God*** against **Israel**, saying, 3 Lord, **they** have killed ***thy prophets***, and digged down ***thine altars***; and ***I*** am left alone, and **they** seek ***my life***. 4 But what saith the answer of ***God*** unto ***him***? ***I*** have reserved to ***myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee*** to the **image *of* Baal**. 5 Even so then at this present time also there is ***a remnant*** according to the ***election of grace***. **6** And if by ***grace***, then is it no more of **works**: otherwise ***grace*** is no more ***grace***. But if *it be* of **works**, then is it no more ***grace***: otherwise **work** is no more **work**. **7** What then? **Israel** hath not obtained that which ***he*** seeketh for; but ***the election*** hath obtained it, and **the rest were blinded 8** (According as it is written, ***God*** hath given **them** the **spirit of slumber, eyes that they should not see, and ears that they should not hear**;) unto this day. **9** And ***David*** saith, Let their ***table*** be made a **snare**, and a **trap**, and a ***stumblingblock***, and a recompence unto **them**: **10 Let their eyes be darkened, that they may not see, and bow down their back alway**. **11** ***I*** say then, Have ***they*** stumbled that ***they*** should fall? ***God*** forbid: but rather through their fall ***salvation*** *is come* unto ***the Gentiles***, for ***to provoke them to jealousy***. (*****This is all about Israel thinking that they can keep the law when they cannot, which is works, which it has already been established by the very first sin that sin begins in the mind, and that none can keep the law of works, which is why we need God's grace, which is Jesus Christ, who is their stumblingblock, as they stumble over grace thinking they can work for it. Romans 3:23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;) **12** Now if the fall of **them** be ***the riches of the world***, and the **diminishing** of **them**

the riches of the Gentiles; how much more their ***fulness***? **13** For ***I*** speak to ***you Gentiles***, inasmuch as ***I am the apostle of the Gentiles***, ***I*** magnify mine office: **14** If by any means ***I may provoke to emulation them which are my flesh, and might save some of them***. **15** For if **the casting away of them** *be* ***the reconciling of the world***, what *shall* ***the receiving of them*** *be*, but ***life from the dead***? **16** For if the ***firstfruit be holy***, ***the lump is also holy***: and ***if the root be holy***, ***so are the branches***. (*Remember, no root, no fruit.) **17** And if some of **the branches** be broken off, and **thou**, being **a wild olive tree**, wert graffed in among ***them***, and ***with them partakest of the root and fatness of the olive tree***; **18** Boast not against ***the branches***. But **if thou boast**, thou bearest not the ***root***, but the root ***thee***. **19 Thou** wilt say then, The **branches** were **broken off**, that ***I*** might be ***graffed in***. **20** Well; **because of unbelief they were broken off**, and ***thou standest by faith***. Be not **highminded**, but ***fear***: **21** For if ***God*** spared not the **natural branches**, *take* ***heed*** lest he also spare not **thee**. **22** Behold therefore the ***goodness*** and **severity** of ***God***: on **them which fell, severity**; but toward ***thee***, ***goodness, if thou continue in his goodness***: otherwise **thou also shalt be cut off**. **23** And **they** also, if **they** abide not still in **unbelief**, *shall be* ***graffed in***: for ***God is able to graff them in again***. **24** For if **thou** wert cut out of **the olive tree which is wild by nature**, and wert ***graffed contrary*** to **nature** into ***a good olive tree***: how much more shall **these**, which be **the natural branches**, be ***graffed into their own olive tree***? **25** For ***I*** would not, ***brethren***, that ***ye*** should be **ignorant** of this ***mystery***, lest **ye** should be **wise in your own conceits**; that **blindness** in part is happened to **Israel**, until the ***fulness*** of ***the Gentiles*** be come in. **26** And so all ***Israel shall be saved***: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion ***the Deliverer***, and shall turn away **ungodliness** from ***Jacob***: **27** For this *is* ***my covenant*** unto ***them***, when ***I shall take away*** their **sins**. **28** As concerning ***the gospel***, *they are* **enemies** for ***your sakes***: but as touching ***the election***, ***they are beloved*** for the fathers' sakes. **29** For ***the gifts and calling of God are without repentance***.

Note: The parallels in the following passages of Scripture, and two types of **trees**, *good trees*, and **bad trees**, **ungodly men**, and **evil angels**, and ***godly men***, and ***good angels***, and ***God***

Jude 1:4 For there are **certain men crept in unawares**, who were before of old **ordained to this condemnation**, **ungodly men**, turning ***the grace of our God*** into **lasciviousness**, and **denying** *the* ***only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ***. **5** ***I*** will therefore put ***you*** in remembrance, though ***ye*** once knew this, how that ***the Lord***, having ***saved the people*** out of **the land of Egypt**, afterward **destroyed them that believed not**. **6** And **the angels which kept not their first estate**, **but left their own habitation**, ***he*** hath reserved in everlasting chains under **darkness** unto the ***judgment of the great day***. **7** Even as **Sodom** and **Gomorrha**, and the **cities about them in like manner**, giving themselves over to **fornication**, and going after **strange flesh**, are set forth for an example, suffering the **vengeance of eternal fire**. **8** Likewise also these **filthy dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil** of ***dignities***. **9** Yet ***Michael the archangel***, when contending with **the devil** ***he*** disputed about the body of ***Moses***, durst not bring against **him** a railing accusation, but said, ***The Lord*** rebuke

thee. **10** But **these speak evil** of those things which they know not: but what **they** know naturally, **as brute beasts**, in those things **they corrupt themselves**. **11 Woe unto them**! for **they** have gone in the way of **Cain**, and ran **greedily** after the error of **Balaam** for reward, and **perished** in the **gainsaying** of **Core**. **12 These** are **spots** in your ***feasts of charity***, when they **feast** with ***you***, feeding **themselves** without ***fear***: **clouds** *they are* **without water**, carried about of winds; **trees whose fruit withereth, without fruit, twice dead, plucked up by the roots**; **13 Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness for ever**. **14** And ***Enoch*** also, the seventh from ***Adam***, prophesied of **these**, saying, Behold, ***the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints***, **15** To ***execute judgment*** upon **all**, and to convince **all that are ungodly** among **them** of all **their ungodly deeds** which they have **ungodly** committed, and of **all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against *him***. **16 These are murmurers, complainers, walking after their own lusts; and their mouth speaketh great swelling *words*, having men's persons in admiration because of advantage**.

Revelation 7:1 And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any ***tree***. **2** And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, **3** Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the ***trees***, till we have sealed ***the servants of our God*** in their foreheads.

Revelation 9:1 And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a **star** fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of **the bottomless pit**. 2 And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a **smoke out of the pit**, as the **smoke of a great furnace**; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the **smoke of the pit**. 3 And there came out of the **smoke locusts** upon the earth: and unto **them** was given power, as the **scorpions** of the earth have power. **4** And it was commanded them that they should not hurt ***the grass of the earth***, neither any ***green thing***, neither any ***tree***; but only **those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads**.

Isaiah 40:6 The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? **All flesh is grass**, and all the ***goodliness*** thereof is as **the flower of the field**: **7** The **grass withereth**, the **flower fadeth**: because ***the spirit of the LORD*** bloweth upon it: surely **the people is grass**. **8** The **grass withereth**, the **flower fadeth**: but ***the word of our God shall stand for ever***.

Zechariah 4:3 And ***two olive trees*** by ***it***, one upon the ***right side of the bowl***, and ***the other upon the left side*** thereof.

Zechariah 4:11 Then answered ***I***, and said unto ***him***, What *are* these ***two olive trees*** upon the right *side* of ***the candlestick*** *and upon* ***the left side*** *thereof*? **12** And ***I*** answered again, and said unto ***him***, What *be* ***these two olive branches*** which through the ***two golden pipes empty***

the golden oil out of themselves? 13 And ***he*** answered ***me*** and said, Knowest ***thou*** not what ***these*** *be*? And ***I*** said, No***, my lord***. 14 Then said ***he***, ***These are the two anointed ones***, that stand by ***the Lord of the whole earth***.

Jeremiah 5:14 Wherefore *thus saith* ***the LORD God of hosts***, Because **ye** speak this word, behold, ***I will make my words in thy mouth fire***, and **this people wood**, and ***it*** *shall* **devour them**.

Revelation 11:3 And ***I*** will give ***power*** unto my ***two witnesses***, and they shall ***prophesy*** a thousand two hundred *and* threescore days, clothed in sackcloth. **4** ***These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks*** standing before th***e God of the earth***. **5** And if any **man** will hurt them, ***fire*** proceedeth out of ***their mouth***, and **devoureth their enemies**: and if **any man** will hurt ***them***, **he must in this manner be killed**. **6** ***These*** have ***power*** to shut ***heaven***, that it ***rain*** not in the days of ***their prophecy***: and have ***power*** over ***waters*** to turn them to **blood**, and to **smite the earth with all plagues**, as often as ***they*** will. **7** And when ***they*** shall have finished ***their testimony***, **the beast** that ascendeth out of the **bottomless pit** shall make war against ***them***, and shall overcome ***them***, and kill ***them***. **8** And their ***dead bodies*** shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also ***our Lord*** was crucified. (*****Jerusalem) **9** And **they** of the **people** and **kindreds** and **tongues** and **nations** shall see ***their dead bodies*** three days and an half, and shall not suffer ***their dead bodies*** to be put in graves. **10** And **they that dwell upon the earth** shall rejoice over ***them***, and make merry, and shall send gifts **one to another**; because ***these two prophets*** tormented **them that dwelt on the earth**. **11** And after three days and an half ***the Spirit of life from God entered into them***, and ***they stood upon their feet***; and great **fear** fell upon **them** which saw ***them***. **12** And ***they*** heard ***a great voice from heaven*** saying unto ***them***, Come up hither. And ***they*** ascended up to ***heaven*** in a cloud; and **their enemies** beheld ***them***.

Witnessing ***trees of righteousness***, ***the planting of the LORD***, that ***he*** might be ***glorified***. Yea, **men are trees**. What kind of a **tree** are **you**? What **root** do **ye** bear?